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February 11, 1955

TO: The Ambassador
FROM: Mr. Barrows
SUBJECT: Loan of 5 Million Piasters to the Presidency

The attached memorandum is all I will require to support the action I have taken in drawing 5 million piasters from the Mission's trust fund. This is a fund established with counterpart which is drawn on from time to time for administrative purposes of the Mission or of the Vietnamese Government. Approval of the Government is necessary for each withdrawal. In this case we identified the fund as being required for administrative purposes of the Mission.

To support your memorandum to me, you may wish to put in your personal files some explanation for the purpose for which this money was drawn. I do not need the information for my records.



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